

**HISTORIC LANDMARKS PRESERVATION COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 5, 2017
CITY HALL CONFERENCE ROOM – 6:30 P.M.**

<p>NOTE: These meeting minutes are a summarization of notes and not an absolute transcript of dialogue.</p>
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Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chairman George Donskoj

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: George Donskoj, Leslie Melvin, Marissa Marvelli, Jane Birmingham, Alan Baer

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Paul Hammerl, Mark Grunblatt

OTHERS PRESENT: Dan Gartenstein, Asst. Corp. Coun., D.C. Thomas Tiano, Laurie Hughes (Secr.)

GENERAL NOTES:

1. Introduction of all Board Members and staff present
2. Identify exits, bathrooms, no elevator in case of emergency
3. Silence cell phones, conversations should be taken out of the room
4. Respect speakers

George Donskoj motions to adopt the minutes from the December 1, 2016 meeting, Alan Baer seconds, all in favor and adopted.

REGULAR BUSINESS:

Item #1: Michael D’Arcy/Climate Smart Kingston Commissioner

Request: Mr. DøArcy has been asked to speak to the HLPC about the NYSERDA Unified Solar Permit that the City will be using in the near future. Attached is the current version of the application as well as the letters of support for this from the Kingston Fire Department, Building Safety Division, Planning and Heritage Commissions.

Discussion: Upon review of the proposed Unified Solar Permit application the HLPC would like a box or sentence inserted in the application to say that if your property is located in the Historic District or individually designated then approval from the HLPC will be needed **before** a permit can be issued. The Commission will not be issuing a blanket approval for all solar panels. Each application will be reviewed individually by the HLPC. Solar technology is changing and upgrading all of the time.

Mike DøArcy will amend the application and get it to the Building Department as soon as possible. It will then be distributed to all of the members. He might have to come back next month for the final application approval.

Item #2: 111 ABEEL STREET/Mike Piazza/Paul Jankovitz

Request: Building is currently vacant. Applicant is proposing to do a multi-family with eight (8) one-bedroom apartments. Building will be modified to accommodate new use, window replacement and ADA ramp. Plans were submitted with the application.

Discussion: A new proposal was submitted. Applicant would like to restore the existing brick façade and would like the original option of installing French doors with wrought iron balconies. Marissa Marvelli had pictures of the building from around the 1930s on her phone that showed how the windows/building appeared at that time. She passed around her phone to show the applicant and the Board members. An ADA ramp is also proposed to be installed on the front of the building. There is no other location available for the ramp. A very simple design is proposed for the wrought iron on the ramp. Alan Baer suggested possibly making the ramp enter from both sides meeting in the middle of the building. Board suggests possibly keeping the current layout of the windows but to make them a little larger and wider on all three (3) upper floors. The bottom floor windows would need to be changed up a little.

EXECUTIVE SESSION IS CALLED FOR BY CORPORATION COUNSEL

** Meeting is now back in session ó George Donskoj has recused himself for the rest of the 111 Abeel Street application review. Alan Baer is now acting Chairman for this application.

Applicant has requested a special meeting. A special meeting has been scheduled for January 19, 2017, at 6:30p.m.

Planning Board has requested to be lead agency for 311 Wall Street. George Donskoj motions to accept, Alan Baer seconds, everyone in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00p.m. by George Donskoj.